

K7VT4-4X K7VT4-8X

# **User Manual**

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# Chapter 1 Introduction

Thank you for purchasing ASRock K7VT4-4X / K7VT4-8X motherboard, a reliable motherboard produced under ASRock's consistently stringent quality control.

It delivers excellent performance with robust design conforming to ASRock's commitment to quality and endurance.

Chapter 1 and 2 of this manual contain introduction of the motherboard and step-bystep installation guide for new DIY system builders. Chapter 3 and 4 contain basic BIOS setup and support CD information. For advanced users' reference, the Appendix appearing on page 23 offers more advanced BIOS setup information.



Because the motherboard specifications and the BIOS software might be updated, the content of this manual will be subject to change without notice. In case any modifications of this manual occur, the updated version will be available on ASRock website without further notice. You may find the latest memory and CPU support lists on ASRock website as well.

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# 1.1 Package Contents

ASRock K7VT4-4X or K7VT4-8X motherboard

(ATX form factor: 12.0" x 7.0", 30.5 x 17.8 cm)

ASRock K7VT4-4X / K7VT4-8X Quick Installation Guide

ASRock AMD-VIA Series Support CD

1 cable for IDE devices (1 x ATA 66 / 100 / 133)

1 cable for floppy drive (1 x Ribbon cable)

1 ASRock I/O shield

# 1.2 Specifications

**Platform:** ATX form factor (12.0" x 7.0", 30.5 x 17.8 cm)

CPU: Supports Socket A (462 pins) for

AMD Athlon™ / Athlon™ XP / Duron™ processor

Chipsets: North Bridge (K7VT4-4X):

VIA KT400/4X (VT8367), FSB@333 MHz, AGP 4X;

North Bridge (K7VT4-8X):

VIA KT400/8X (VT8377), FSB@333 MHz, AGP 8X/4X South Bridge: VIA VT8235CD, supports USB 2.0, ATA 133

Clock Generator: 100 MHz - 200MHz

Memory: 2 DDR DIMM Slots: DDR1 and DDR2

supports PC1600 / PC2100 / PC2700, Max. 2GB

IDE1: ATA 133 / Ultra DMA Mode 6;

IDE2: ATA 133 / Ultra DMA Mode 6; Can connect up to 4 IDE devices

Floppy Port: Supports 2 floppy disk drives
Audio: 5.1 channels AC'97 Audio

LAN: Speed: 802.3u (10/100 Ethernet), supports Wake-On-LAN

Hardware Monitor: CPU temperature sensing (ASRock U-COP);

Chassis temperature sensing;

CPU overheat shutdown to protect CPU life

(ASRock U-COP)(see CAUTION 1);

Voltage monitoring: +12V, +5V, +3V, Vcore; CPU fan tachometer; Chassis fan tachometer

PCI slots: 5 slots with PCI Specification 2.2

**AGP slot: K7VT4-4X:** 1 AGP slot, supports 1.5V, 4X AGP card;

K7VT4-8X: 1 AGP slot, supports 1.5V, 8X/4X AGP card

(see CAUTION 2)

USB 2.0: 4 default USB 2.0 ports and 1 extra set of header for two

additional USB 2.0 ports upgrade (see CAUTION 3)

**ASRock I/O™:** PS/2: 1 keyboard port / 1 mouse port;

1 RJ 45 port; 4 rear default USB 2.0 ports;

1 serial port: COM 1; 1 parallel port: ECP/EPP support; Audio Jack: Line Out / Line In / Microphone + Game port

BIOS: AMI legal BIOS; Supports "Plug and Play";

ACPI 1.1 compliance wake up events;

SMBIOS 2.3.1 support;

CPU frequency stepless control

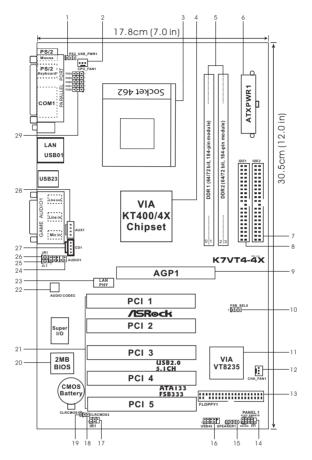
(only for advanced users' reference, see CAUTION 4)

OS: Microsoft® Windows® 98 SE / ME / 2000 / XP compliant

#### **CAUTION!**

- While CPU overheat is detected, the system will automatically shutdown. Please check if the CPU fan on the motherboard functions properly before you resume the system. To improve heat dissipation, remember to spray thermal grease between the CPU and the heatsink when you install the PC system.
- Do NOT insert a 3.3V AGP card into the AGP slot of K7VT4-4X or K7VT4-8X motherboard! It may cause permanent damage!
- Power Management for USB 2.0 works fine under Microsoft<sup>®</sup>
   Windows<sup>®</sup> XP. It may not work properly under Microsoft<sup>®</sup> Windows<sup>®</sup>
   98/ME/2000. Please refer to Microsoft<sup>®</sup> official document at
   <a href="http://www.microsoft.com/whdc/hwdev/bus/USB/USB/2support.mspx">http://www.microsoft.com/whdc/hwdev/bus/USB/USB/2support.mspx</a>
- 4. Although K7VT4-4X / K7VT4-8X offers stepless control, it is not recommended to perform over clocking. When the CPU frequency of K7VT4-4X / K7VT4-8X is set to perform over clocking, other clocks, such as PCI clock, AGP clock, and Memory clock will also be overclocked proportionally. Frequencies other than the recommended CPU bus frequencies may cause the instability of the system or damage the CPU.

# 1.3 Motherboard Layout (K7VT4-4X)

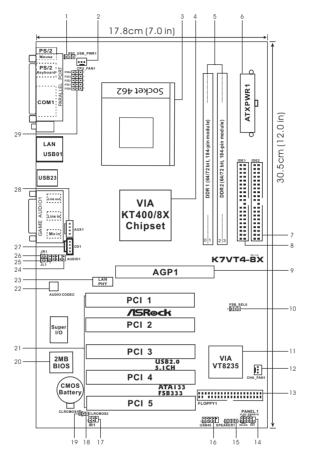


- 1 PS2\_USB\_PWR1 jumper
- 3 CPU socket
- 5 184-pin DDR DIMM slots (DDR 1- 2)
- 7 Secondary IDE connector (IDE2, Black)
- 9 AGP slot (AGP1)
- 11 South Bridge controller
- 13 Floppy connector (FLOPPY1)
- 15 External speaker connector (SPEAKER 1)
- 17 Infrared module connector (IR1)
- 19 Clear CMOS (CLRCMOS1, solder points)
- 21 PCI slots (PCI 1-5)
- 23 LAN PHY
- 25 JL1 jumper
- 27 Internal audio connector: CD1 (Black)
- 29 FID Jumpers (FID0, FID1, FID2, FID3, FID4)

- 2 CPU fan connector (CPU\_FAN1)
- 4 North Bridge controller
- 6 ATX power connector (ATXPWR1)
- 8 Primary IDE connector (IDE1, Blue)
- 10 FSB select jumper (FSB\_SEL0)
- 12 Chassis fan connector (CHA\_FAN1)
- 14 System panel connector (PANEL1)
- 16 USB 2.0 header (USB45, Blue)
- 18 Clear CMOS (CLRCMOS2, 2-pin jumper)
- 20 Flash Memory
- 22 AUDIO CODEC
- 24 Front panel audio connector (AUDIO1)
- 26 JR1 jumper
- 28 Internal audio connector: AUX1 (White)

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# 1.4 Motherboard Layout (K7VT4-8X)

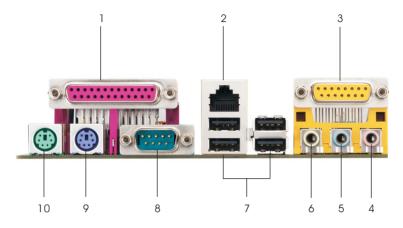


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# 1.5 ASRock I/O™ (K7VT4-4X / K7VT4-8X)



- Parallel port
- 3 Game port
- 5 Line In (Light Blue)
- 7 USB 2.0 ports
- PS/2 keyboard port (Purple)
- RJ-45 port
- 4 Microphone (Pink)
- Line Out (Lime)
- Serial port (COM1) 8
- 10 PS/2 mouse port (Green)

# Chapter 2 Installation

K7VT4-4X / K7VT4-8X is an ATX form factor (12.0" x 7.0", 30.5 x 17.8 cm) motherboard. Before you install the motherboard, please study the configuration of your chassis to ensure that the motherboard fits into it.



Make sure to unplug the power cord before installing or removing the motherboard. Failure to do so may cause physical injuries to you and damages to motherboard components.

#### 2.1 Screw Holes

Please place screws into the holes indicated by circles to secure the motherboard to the chassis.



Do not over-tighten the screws! Doing so may damage the motherboard.

## 2.2 Pre-installation Precautions

Take note of the following precautions before you install motherboard components or change any motherboard settings.

- 1. Unplug the power cord from the wall socket before touching any component.
- To avoid damaging the motherboard components due to static electricity, NEVER place your motherboard directly on the carpet or the like. Also remember to use a grounded wrist strap or touch a safety grounded object before you handle components.
- 3. Hold components by the edges and do not touch the ICs.
- 4. Whenever you uninstall any component, please place it on a grounded antistatic pad or in the bag that comes with the component.

Before you install or remove any component, pleasse ensure that the power is switched off or the power cord is detached from the power supply. Failure to do so may cause severe damage to the motherboard, peripherals, and/or components.

#### 2.3 CPU Installation

- Step 1. Unlock the socket by lifting the lever up to a 90° angle.
- Step 2. Position the CPU directly above the socket such that its marked corner matches the base of the socket lever.
- Step 3. Carefully insert the CPU into the socket until it fits in place.



The CPU fits only in one correct orientation. DO NOT force the CPU into the socket to avoid bending of the pins.

Step 4. When the CPU is in place, press it firmly on the socket while you push down the socket lever to secure the CPU. The lever clicks on the side tab to indicate that it is locked







Step 1

Step 2. 3

Step 4

### 2.4 Installation of CPU Fan and Heatsink

AMD Athlon™/Athlon™XP/ Duron™ family CPUs with a speed of 600 MHz and higher require larger heatsink and cooling fan. Thermal grease between the CPU and the heatsink is also needed to improve heat transfer. Make sure that the CPU and the heatsink are securely fastened and in good contact with each other. For proper installation, please kindly refer to the instruction manuals of vendors of CPU fan and heatsink.

# 2.5 Installation of Memory Modules (DIMM)

K7VT4-4X / K7VT4-8X motherboard provides two 184-pin DDR (Double Data Rate) DIMM slots.



Please make sure to disconnect power supply before adding or removing DIMMs or the system components.

- Step 1. Unlock a DIMM slot by pressing the retaining clips outward.
- Step 2. Align a DIMM on the slot such that the notch on the DIMM matches the break on the slot.
- Step 3. Firmly insert the DIMM into the slot until the retaining clip snap back in place and the DIMM is properly seated.



# 2.6 Expansion Slots (PCI and AGP Slots)

There are 5 PCI slots and 1 AGP slot on K7VT4-4X / K7VT4-8X motherboard.

**PCI slots:** PCI slots are used to install expansion cards that have the 32-bit PCI interface.

AGP slot: The AGP slot is used to install a graphics card. The ASRock AGP slot has a special locking mechanism which can securely fasten the graphics card inserted



Please do NOT insert a 3.3V AGP card into the AGP slot of K7VT4-4X or K7VT4-8X motherboard!

It may cause permanent damage!

# Installing an expansion card

- Step 1. Before installing the expansion card, read the documentation of the expansion card and make necessary hardware settings for the card.
- Step 2. Remove the system unit cover (if your motherboard is already installed in a chassis).
- Step 3. Remove the bracket facing the slot that you intend to use. Keep the screw for later use.
- Step 4. Align the card connector with the slot and press firmly until the card is completely seated on the slot.
- Step 5. Fasten the card to the chassis with screws.
- Step 6. Replace the system cover.

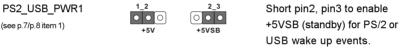
# 2.7 Jumpers Setup

The illustration shows how jumpers are setup. When the jumper cap is placed on pins, the jumper is "SHORT". If no jumper cap is placed on the pins, the jumper is "OPEN". The illustration shows a 3-pin jumper whose pin1 and pin2 are "SHORT" when jumper cap is placed on these 2 pins.



Jumper	Setting		
FSB_SEL0	1_2		2_3
(see p.7/p.8 item 10)	FSB_SEL0 • • O	FSB_SEL0 OOO	FSB_SEL0 O • •
	FSB 200MHz	FSB 266MHz	FSB 333MHz

Note: The setting of the CPU front side bus frequency of this motherboard is by means of the adjustment of jumper-setting. Please follow the figures above to set the CPU front side bus frequency.



Note: To select +5VSB, it requires 2 Amp and higher standby current provided by power supply.



Note: When you connect speakers in back panel and front panel at the same time,

- 1. If the jumpers JL1 and JR1 are short (see fig. 1), both front panel and rear panel audio connectors can work.
- 2. If both jumper caps on JL1 and JR1 are removed (see fig. 2), only front panel audio works.

However, it requires your front panel to support the function.

FID Jumpers	FID4(O)O)O
(FID0, FID1, FID2, FID3, FID4)	FID3 () () () 1
	FID2 (0) (0) 1
(see p.7/p.8 item 29)	FID1 (0) (0) (0) 1
	FIDO OOO 1

Note: The set of FID jumpers are only for advanced users to adjust the multiplier of CPU. Please follow the table below to adjust the multiplier of CPU. However, the system will work well without the adjustment of multiplier. You do not have to adjust the multiplier for normal usage.

Multiplier	FID0	FID1	FID2	FID3	FID4
5x	2-3	2-3	1-2	2-3	2-3
5.5x	1-2	2-3	1-2	2-3	2-3
6x	2-3	1-2	1-2	2-3	2-3
6.5x	1-2	1-2	1-2	2-3	2-3
7x	2-3	2-3	2-3	1-2	2-3
7.5x	1-2	2-3	2-3	1-2	2-3
8x	2-3	1-2	2-3	1-2	2-3
8.5x	1-2	1-2	2-3	1-2	2-3
9x	2-3	2-3	1-2	1-2	2-3
9.5x	1-2	2-3	1-2	1-2	2-3
10x	2-3	1-2	1-2	1-2	2-3
10.5x	1-2	1-2	1-2	1-2	2-3
11x	2-3	2-3	2-3	2-3	2-3
11.5x	1-2	2-3	2-3	2-3	2-3
12x	2-3	1-2	2-3	2-3	2-3
12.5x	1-2	1-2	2-3	2-3	2-3
13x	2-3	2-3	1-2	2-3	1-2
13.5x	1-2	2-3	1-2	2-3	1-2
14x	2-3	1-2	1-2	2-3	1-2
15x	2-3	2-3	2-3	1-2	1-2
16x	2-3	1-2	2-3	1-2	1-2
16.5x	1-2	1-2	2-3	1-2	1-2
17x	2-3	2-3	1-2	1-2	1-2
18x	1-2	2-3	1-2	1-2	1-2
19x	1-2	2-3	2-3	2-3	1-2
20x	1-2	1-2	2-3	2-3	1-2
21x	1-2	1-2	1-2	2-3	1-2
22x	1-2	2-3	2-3	1-2	1-2
23x	2-3	1-2	1-2	1-2	1-2
24x	1-2	1-2	1-2	1-2	1-2

For example, "Athlon XP 2000+" is an 1666MHz CPU: 12.5 (Multiplier) X 133MHz (External frequency) = 1666MHz





The jumper caps are not provided by ASRock. Please understand that ASRock does not guarantee and support the adjustment of multiplier. These jumpers setting may not apply to all multiplier-locked or even some unlocked AMD CPU. Frequencies other than the recommended CPU bus frequencies may cause the instability of the system or damage the CPU.

#### Clear CMOS

CLRCMOS1

solder poin

CLRCMOS2

(see p.7/p.8 item 19)

solder points

(see p.7/p.8 item 18)

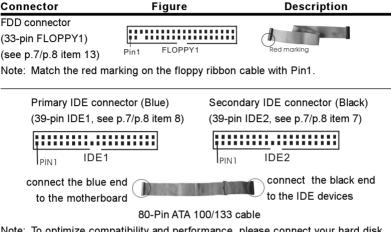
2-pin jumper

Note: CLRCMOS1 and CLRCMOS2 allow you to clear the data in CMOS. The data in CMOS includes system setup information such as system password, date, time, and system setup parameters. There are 2 ways for you to clear and reset the system parameters to the default setup. Please turn off the computer and unplug the power cord, then you may either short the solder points on CLRCMOS1 by using metal material, e.g., a paper clip for 3 seconds; or you may use a jumper cap to short the pin on CLRCMOS2 for 3 seconds. Please remember to remove the paper clip or the jumper cap after clearing the CMOS.

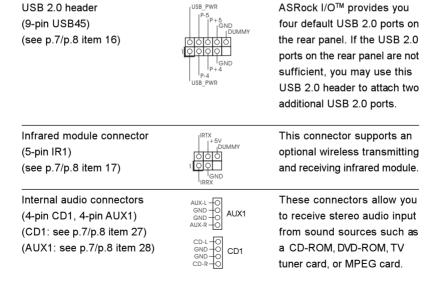
#### 2.8 Connectors



Connectors are NOT jumpers. DO NOT place jumper caps over these connectors.



Note: To optimize compatibility and performance, please connect your hard disk drive to the primary IDE connector (IDE1, blue) and CD-ROM to the secondary IDE connector (IDE2, black).



Front panel audio connector (9-pin AUDIO1) (see p.7/p.8 item 24)	BACKOUT-R BACKOUT-R BACKOUT-L BACKOUT-L DO O O O AUD-OUT-L DUMMY AUD-OUT-R MIC-POWER	This is an interface for the front panel audio cable that allows convenient connection and control of audio devices.
System panel connector (9-pin PANEL1) (see p.7/p.8 item 14)	PLED+ PLED- PUED- PWRBIN# GND HDLED- HDLED-	This connector accommodates several system front panel functions.
External speaker connector (4-pin SPEAKER 1) (see p.7/p.8 item 15)	1 SPEAKER DUMMY DUMMY +5V	This connector allows you to attach to an external speaker.
Chassis fan connector (3-pin CHA_FAN1) (see p.7/p.8 item 12)	GND O++12V O-CHA_FAN_SPEED	Connect the fan cable to the connector matching the black wire to the ground pin.
CPU fan connector (3-pin CPU_FAN1) (see p.7/p.8 item 2)	CPU_FAN_SPEED +12V   GND	Connect the fan cable to the connector matching the black wire to the ground pin.
ATX power connector (20-pin ATXPWR1) (see p.7/p.8 item 6)		Connect an ATX power supply to the connector.

# Chapter 3 BIOS Setup

# 3.1 BIOS Setup Utility

This section explains how to use the BIOS Setup Utility to configure your system. The Flash Memory on the motherboard stores the BIOS Setup Utility. You may run the BIOS Setup when you start up the computer. Please press <F2> during the Power-On-Self-Test (POST) to enter the BIOS Setup Utility, otherwise, POST will continue with its test routines.

If you wish to enter the BIOS Setup after POST, restart the system by pressing <Ctl> + <Alt> + <Delete>, or by pressing the reset button on the system chassis. You may also restart the system by turning the system off and then back on. The BIOS Setup Utility is designed to be user-friendly. It is a menu-driven program, which allows you to scroll through its various sub-menus and select among the predetermined choices.



Because the BIOS software is constantly being updated, the following BIOS setup screens and descriptions are for reference purpose only, and may not exactly match what you see on your screen.

#### 3.1.1 BIOS Menu Bar

The top of the screen has a menu bar with the following selections:

MAIN Sets up the basic system configuration

ADVANCED Sets up the advanced features
SECURITY Sets up the security features

**POWER** Configures Power Management features

**BOOT** Configures the default system device that is used

to locate and load the Operating System

**EXIT** Exits the current menu or the BIOS Setup

To access the menu bar items, press the right or left arrow key on the keyboard until the desired item is highlighted.

# 3.1.2 Legend Bar

At the bottom of the Setup Screen is a legend bar. The following table lists the keys in the legend bar with their corresponding functions.

Navigation Key(s)	Function Description
<f1></f1>	Displays the General Help Screen
<esc></esc>	Jumps to the Exit menu or returns to the upper menu
	from the current menu
↑ / ↓	Moves cursor up or down between fields
<b>←</b> /→	Selects menu to the left or right
+ / -	Increases or decreases values
<enter></enter>	Brings up a selected menu for a highlighted field
<f9></f9>	Loads all the setup items to default value
<f10></f10>	Saves changes and exits Setup

## 3.2 Main Menu

When you enter the BIOS Setup Utility, the following screen appears.

Main Advance	AMIBIOS SETUP UTILITY - VERSION 3  d Security Power Boot Exit	.31a
System Date	V-10 2002 M	[ Setup Help ]
System Date System Time Floppy Drives IDE Devices	May 19 2003 Mon 20:07:40	Month: Jan - Dec Day: 01 - 31 Year: 1980 - 2099
BIOS Version Processor Type Processor Speed L1 Cache Size L2 Cache Size Total Memory DDR1 DDR2	K7VT4-8X BIOS P1.00 AMD Athlon(tm) XP 2600+ 2133 MHz 128 KB 256 KB 512 MB 512 MB 512 MB/166 MHz (DDR333) None	
F1:Help Esc:Exit	†↓:Select Item +/-:Change Values :Select Menu +/-:Select ▶Sub-Menu	F9:Setup Defaults F10:Save & Exit

### System Date [Month/Day/Year]

Set the system date that you specify. Valid values for month, day, and year are Month: (Jan to Dec), Day: (1 to 31), Year: (up to 2099). Use  $\uparrow$  keys to move between the Month, Day, and Year fields.

### System Time [Hour:Minute:Second]

Set the system to the time that you specify. Use  $\uparrow$   $\downarrow$  keys to move between the Hour, Minute, and Second fields.

### Floppy Drives

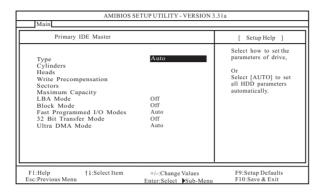
Use this to set the type of floppy drives installed.

#### **IDE Devices**

Use this to configure IDE devices.

#### **TYPE**

To set the type of the IDE device, first, please select "IDE Devices" on Main menu and press <Enter> to get into the sub-menu. Then, select among "Primary IDE Master", "Primary IDE Slave", "Secondary IDE Master", and "Secondary IDE Slave" to make configuration of its type. Below are the configuration options.



**[USER]:** It allows user to manually enter the number of cylinders, heads, and sectors per track for the drive.



Before attempting to configure a hard disk drive, make sure you have the correct configuration information supplied by the drive manufacturer. Incorrect settings may cause the system to fail to recognize the installed hard disk.

[Auto]: Select [Auto] to automatically detect hard disk drive. If autodetection is successful, the BIOS Setup automatically fills in the correct values for the remaining fields on this sub-menu. If the autodetection fails, it may due to that the hard disk is too old or too new. If the hard disk was already formatted on an older system, the BIOS Setup may detect incorrect parameters. In these cases, select [User] to manually enter the IDE hard disk drive parameters.



After entering the hard disk information into BIOS, use a disk utility, such as FDISK, to partition and format the new IDE hard disk drives. This is necessary so that you can write the data into or read the data from the installed hard disk. Please make sure to set the partition of the Primary IDE hard disk drives to make them active.

[CD/DVD]: This is used for IDE CD/DVD drives.

[ARMD]: This is used for IDE ARMD (ATAPI Removable Media Device), such as MO.

## Cylinders

This is used to configure the number of cylinders. Refer to the drive documentation to determine the correct value.

#### Heads

This is used to configure the number of read/write heads. Refer to the drive documentation to determine the correct values.

#### Write Pre-compensation

Enter Write Pre-compensation sector. Refer to the drive documentation to determine the correct value.

#### Sectors

This is used to configure the number of sectors per track. Refer to the drive documentation to determine the correct value.

### **Maximum Capacity**

This field shows the drive's maximum capacity as calculated by the BIOS based on the drive information you entered.

#### LBA Mode

This allows user to select the LBA mode for a hard disk > 512 MB under DOS and Windows; for Netware and UNIX user, select [Off] to disable the LBA mode.

#### **Block Mode**

Set the block mode to [On] will enhance hard disk performance by reading or writing more data during each transfer.

#### Fast Programmed I/O Modes

This allows user to set the PIO mode to enhance hard disk performance by optimizing the hard disk timing.

#### 32 Bit Transfer Mode

It allows user to enable 32-bit access to maximize the IDE hard disk data transfer rate.

#### **Ultra DMA Mode**

Ultra DMA capability allows improved transfer speeds and data integrity for compatible IDE devices. Set to [Disabled] to suppress Ultra DMA capability.

# 3.3 Advanced, Security, Power, Boot, and Exit Menus

Detailed descriptions of these menus are listed in the Appendix. See page 23.

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# Chapter 4 Software Support

# 4.1 Install Operating System

This motherboard supports various Microsoft® Windows® operating systems: 98 SE / ME / 2000 / XP. Because motherboard settings and hardware options vary, use the setup procedures in this chapter for general reference only. Refer to your OS documentation for more information.

# 4.2 Support CD Information

The Support CD that came with the motherboard contains necessary drivers and useful utilities that will enhance the motherboard features.

# 4.2.1 Running The Support CD

To begin using the support CD, insert the CD into your CD-ROM drive. The CD automatically displays the Main Menu if "AUTORUN" is enabled in your computer. If the Main Menu did not appear automatically, locate and double click on the file ASSETUP.EXE from the BIN folder in the Support CD to display the menus.

#### 4.2.2 Drivers Menu

The Drivers Menu shows the available devices drivers if the system detects installed devices. Install the necessary drivers to activate the devices.

#### 4.2.3 Utilities Menu

The Utilities Menu shows the applications software that the motherboard supports. Click on a specific item then follow the installation wizard to install it.

# 4.2.4 ASRock PC-DIY Live Demo Program

ASRock presents you a multimedia PC-DIY live demo, which shows you how to install your own PC system step by step. You may find the file through the following path:

#### ..\MPEGAV\AVSEQ01.DAT

To see this demo program, you may run Microsoft® Media Player® to play the file.

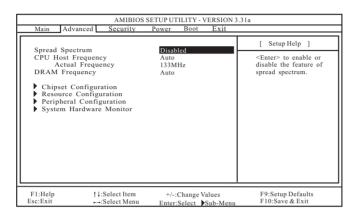
## 4.2.5 Contact Information

If you need to contact ASRock or want to know more about ASRock, welcome to visit ASRock's website at <a href="http://www.asrock.com">http://www.asrock.com</a>; or you may contact your dealer for further information.

# Appendix: Advanced BIOS Setup

This section will introduce you the following BIOS Setup menus: "Advanced," "Security," "Power," "Boot," and "Exit."

## 1. Advanced BIOS Setup Menu



#### Spread Spectrum:

This field should always be [Disabled] for better system stability.

#### **CPU Host Frequency:**

[Auto]: It is recommended to select this option, which will let the CPU host frequency of this motherboard determined by the jumper-setting.

[Manual]: This allows user to set the CPU host frequency manually. However, this is not recommended unless user thoroughly knows the feature.

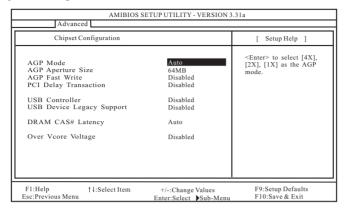
Wrong setup may cause problems during operation.

#### DRAM Frequency:

If set to [Auto], the motherboard will detect the inserted memory module(s) and automatically assign appropriate frequency. You may select other value as operating frequency: [100MHz (DDR200)], [133MHz (DDR266)], [166MHz (DDR333)].

NOTE: Please pay attention to the specifications of the installed memory module(s). The memory frequency will be set equal or faster than the CPU frequency.

#### **Chipset Configuration:**

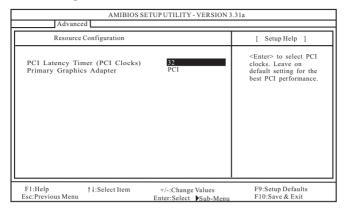


- AGP Mode: If K7VT4-4X motherboard is installed for your PC system, you may select [4X], [2X], or [1X] as the AGP mode. But when an 8X-AGP-card is installed on K7VT4-8X motherboard for your PC system, this feature will be set to [Auto] automatically.
- AGP Aperture Size: It refers to a section of the PCI memory address range used for graphics memory. It is recommended to leave this field at the default value unless the installed AGP card's specifications requires other sizes.
- **AGP Fast Write:** This allows you to enable or disable the feature of AGP fast write protocol support.
- PCI Delay Transaction: Enable PCI Delay Transaction feature will free the PCI Bus when the CPU is accessing 8-bit ISA cards. Disable this feature when using ISA cards that are not PCI 2.1 compliant.
- USB Controller: Use this to enable or disable the use of USB controller.
- **USB Device Legacy Support:** Use this to enable or disable the support to emulate legacy I/O devices such as mouse, keyboard,... etc.
- **DRAM CAS# Latency:** This is used to adjust the means of memory accessing. Configuration options: [Auto], [2T], [2.5T], [3T].
  - Please note that not all the DDR DIMMs can support CAS latency=3T.
- **Over Vcore Voltage:** This feature allows you to increase the CPU Vcore voltage around 3% or 6%. The default value is [Disabled].



It is not recommended to enable "Over Vcore Voltage" feature. Doing so may cause CPU damage.

### **Resource Configuration:**



PCI Latency Timer (PCI Clocks): The default is 32. It is recommended to keep the default value unless the installed PCI expansion cards' specifications require other settings.

Primary Graphics Adapter: Select PCI or AGP as the primary graphics adapter.

### **Peripheral Configuration:**

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Peripheral Configuration		[ Setup Help ]
OnBoard FDC OnBoard Serial Port OnBoard Infrared Port OnBoard Parallel Port Parallel Port Mode EPP Version Parallel Port IRQ Parallel Port IMA Channel OnBoard Midi Port Midi IRQ Select OnBoard Game Port OnBoard IDE OnBoard LAN OnBoard AC'97 Audio	Auto Auto Disabled Auto ECP+EPP 1.9 Auto Auto Disabled 5 200h Both Enabled Auto	<enter> to enable or disable the floppy drive controller.</enter>
F1:Help † \dagger:Select Item Esc:Previous Menu	+/-:Change Values Enter:Select Sub-Menu	F9:Setup Defaults F10:Save & Exit

OnBoard FDC: Use this to enable or disable floppy drive controller.

OnBoard Serial Port: Use this to set addresses for the onboard serial ports or disable serial ports. Configuration options: [Auto], [Disabled], [3F8 / IRQ4 / COM11, [2F8 / IRQ3 / COM21, [3E8 / IRQ4 / COM31, [2E8 / IRQ3 / COM41,

OnBoard Infrared Port: You may select [Auto] or [Disabled] for this onboard infrared port feature.

OnBoard Parallel Port: Select Parallel Port address or disable Parallel Port Configuration options: [Auto], [Disabled], [378], [278].

Parallel Port Mode: Set the operation mode of the parallel port. The default value is [ECP+EPP]. If this option is set to [ECP+EPP], it will show the EPP version in the following item, "EPP Version".

OnBoard Midi Port: Select address for Midi Port or disable Midi Port.

Configuration options: [Disabled], [330], [300], [290], [292].

Midi IRQ Select: Use this to select Midi IRQ. Configuration options: [3], [4], [5], [7], [10], [11].

OnBoard Game Port: Select address for Game Port or disable Game Port. Configuration options: [Disabled], [200h], [208h].

OnBoard IDE: You may enable either the primary IDE channel or the secondary IDE channel. Or you may enable both the primary and the secondary IDE channels by selecting [Both]. Set to [Disabled] will disable the both. Configuration options: [Disabled], [Primary], [Secondary], [Both].

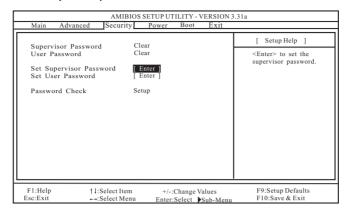
OnBoard LAN: This allows you to enable or disable the onboard LAN feature. OnBoard AC'97 Audio: Select [Disabled], [Auto] or [Enabled] for the onboard AC'97 Audio feature.

System Hardware Monitor: You may check the status of the hardware on your system. It allows you to monitor the parameters for CPU temperature, Motherboard temperature, CPU fan speed, and critical voltage.

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System Hardware	System Hardware Monitor	
CPU Temperature M/B Temperature CPU FAN Speed Chassis FAN Speed Veore + 3.30V + 5.00V + 12.00V	35°C/95°F 27°C/82°F 3110 RPM 0 RPM 1.72 V 3.31 V 4.97 V 12.16 V	
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# 2. Security Setup Menu



Supervisor Password: This field shows the status of the Supervisor Password.

[Clear]: No password has been set.

[Set]: Supervisor password has been set.

User Password: This field shows the status of the User Password.

[Clear]: No password has been set.

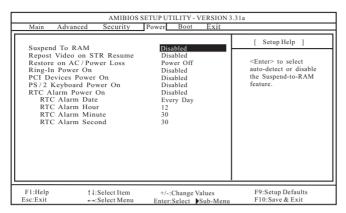
[Set]: User password has been set.

Set Supervisor Password: Press <Enter> to set the Supervisor Password. Valid password can be a 1 to 6 alphanumeric characters combination. If you already have a password, you need to enter your current password first in order to create a new password.

Set User Password: Press <Enter> to set the User Password. Valid password can be a 1 to 6 alphanumeric characters combination. If you already have a password, you need to enter your current password first in order to create a new password.

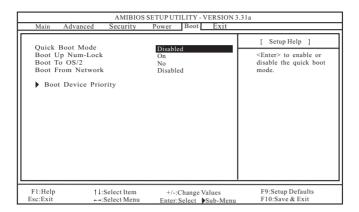
Password Check: Select the check point for "Password Check". Configuration options: [Setup], [Always]. If [Setup] option is selected, the "Password Check" is performed before BIOS setup. If [Always] option is selected, the "Password Check" is performed before both boot-up and BIOS setup.

## 3. Power Setup Menu



- Suspend to RAM: This field allows you to select whether to auto-detect or disable the Suspend-to-RAM feature. Select [Auto] will enable this feature if the system supports it.
- Repost Video on STR Resume: This feature allows you to repost video on STR resume. It is recommended to enable this feature under Microsoft<sup>®</sup> Windows<sup>®</sup> 98 / ME.
- Restore on AC/Power Loss: This allows you to set the power state after an unexpected AC/power loss. If [Power Off] is selected, the AC/power remains off when the power recovers. If [Power On] is selected, the AC/power resumes and the system starts to boot up when the power recovers.
- **Ring-In Power On:** Use this to enable or disable Ring-in signals to turn on the system from the power-soft-off mode.
- **PCI Devices Power On:** Use this to enable or disable PCI devices to turn on the system from the power-soft-off mode.
- PS/2 Keyboard Power On: Use this to enable or disable PS/2 keyboard to turn on the system from the power-soft-off mode.
- RTC Alarm Power On: Use this to enable or disable RTC (Real Time Clock) to power on the system. If [Enable] is selected, you must fill the RTC Alarm Date / Hour / Minute / Second sub-fields with the actual wake up time you desire.

# 4. Boot Setup Menu



**Quick Boot Mode:** Enable this mode will speed up the boot-up routine by skipping memory retestings.

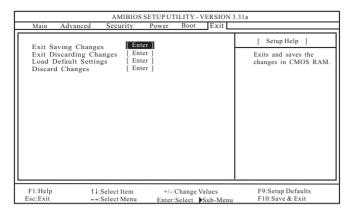
**Boot Up Num-Lock:** If this is enabled, it will automatically activate the Numeric Lock function after boot-up.

Boot To OS/2: This enables boot-up to OS/2 operating system.

Boot From Network: Use this to enable or disable "boot from network" feature.

Boot Device Priority: This allows you to set the boot device priority.

#### 5. Exit Menu



- Exit Saving Changes: After you enter the sub-menu, the message "Save current settings and exit" will appear. If you press <ENTER>, it will save the current settings and exit the BIOS SETUP Utility.
- Exit Discarding Changes: After you enter the submenu, the message "Quit without saving changes" will appear. If you press <ENTER>, you will exit the BIOS Setup Utility without making any changes to the settings.
- Load Default Settings: After you enter the submenu, the message "Load default settings" will appear. If you press <Enter>, it will load the default values for all the setup configuration.
- **Discard Changes:** After you enter the sub-menu, the message "Load setup original values" will appear. If you press <ENTER>, original values will be restored and all changes are discarded.